



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2019/2020 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS

APH 201: HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY (ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL)

DATE: 23/11/2020

TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS) (COMPULSORY)

- a) What is the key issue of the pre-Socratic philosophers? (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the objectives of the sophists (10 marks)
- c) Elaborate the view that philosophy is the handmaiden of theology (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Elaborate how the theory of forms by Plato influenced the Christian doctrines the

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Demonstrate the indispensability of Aristotelian philosophy to St. Thomas Aquinas

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Using the views of Descartes, Erasmus and Luther show how the catholic church 'education' was viewed as indoctrinative

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Is it the case that the science of the medieval period could not be separated from the authority of Aristotle and the church?